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SUBJECT: U.S.-MEXICO CONSULTATIONS ON TUNA ENFORCEMENT

1. DEPT. OF COMMERCE OFFICIALS HOWARD AND BEASLEY MET FEB. 18 WITH MEXICAN IATTC COMMISSIONERS DIAS ROJO AND PEDRO MERCADO AND DIR. GEN. FISHERY REGIONS VEGA RIVAS FOR DETAILED REVIEW OF GROWING PROBLEMS OF CERTAIN COUNTRIES IN ENFORCING IATTC CONSERVATION MEASURES.

2. EMPHASIS WAS GIVEN TO NEED FOR RELIABLE SYSTEM FOR (A) INSPECTING TUNA CATCHES AT FOREIGN POINTS OF LANDING AND TRANSHIPMENT AND (B) VERIFYING LOCATION OF VESSELS REPORTING CATCHES OUTSIDE OF IATTC REGULATORY AREA. U.S. SIDE MADE CLEAR MEXICAN FISHING WAS NOT RPT NOT PRESENTLY CAUSING PROBLEMS. PRINCIPAL AID SOUGHT FROM MEXICO WAS ASSISTANCE IN SECURING COOPERATION FROM OTHER COUNTRIES IN DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS.

3. MEXICAN OFFICIALS AGREED PROBLEM NEEDED SERIOUS ATTENTION AND APPEARED RECOGNIZE FULLY EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT PROBABLY BEYOND REACH OF ANY ONE COUNTRY. UNLESS COOPERATIVE PROCEDURES IMPLEMENTED. MEXICO AGREED LANDINGS OUTSIDE FLAG COUNTRY PORTS IS PROBLEM OCCASIONALLY EVEN FOR MEXICO. ALSO AGREED VERIFICATION OF VESSEL LOCATIONS AT SEA INCREASINGLY  
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A PROBLEM AS NUMBERS OF SUPER SEINERS INCREASED.

4. CONCERN THAT NATIONAL SOVERIGNTY NOT BE INFRINGED  
PUT FORWARD AS PRINCIPAL INHIBITION ON MEXICO JOINING  
FULLY IN CAMPAIGN TO DEVELOP IATTC INTERNATIONAL  
ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM. HOWEVER, AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION  
MEXICANS APPEARED TO RECOGNIZE SOME POSSIBILITIES FOR  
INTERNATIONAL ENFORCEMENT THAT WOULD NOT INFRINGE THEIR  
CONCEPTS OF SOVERIGNTY. COOPERATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES  
TO INSURE LANDINGS ARE INSPECTED APPEARED OF MOST  
INTEREST TO MEXICO. MEXICO PROMISED THEY WOULD PARTICI-  
PATE IN COOPERATIVE FASHION AT SPECIAL IATTC ENFORCE-  
MENT MEETING IN EARLY MARCH.  
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